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Applicants: Warren P. Williamson IV et al.
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of candor and good faith imposed by 37 CFR §1.56 and means of complying therewith according to 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 are called to the attention of the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent

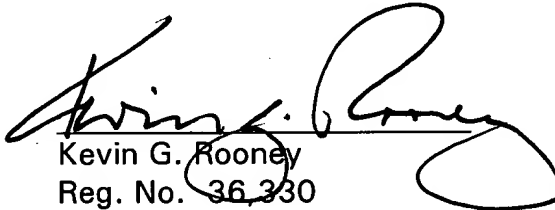
application. Copies of the cited references are enclosed herewith. No admission is made that the cited art represents the prior art or that the cited art is the most material art.

The Examiner is urged to consider the cited references and to make an independent decision with respect to their materiality.

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	A.F	3	6	7	9	4	5	0	7/1972	Reightol	117	3	
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	C.E	4 6 9 5 3 3 9	9/1987	Rada	156	80	
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	C.G	4 8 0 1 5 5 3	1/1989	Owen et al.	436	174	
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	D.G	5 0 2 4 8 3 0	6/1991	Linner	424	3	
	D.H	5 0 4 7 0 0 8	9/1991	de Juan, Jr. et al.	604	22	
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	E.E	5	2	2	4	4	8	8	7/1993	Neuffer	128	751	
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	E.G	5	3	0	8	7	5	8	5/1994	Dahl	435	30	
	E.H	5	3	1	2	7	5	8	5/1994	Ahlqvist	436	63	
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